

RABIES LABORATORY FORM

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Date Submitted: _____

Carrier: Bus () UPS () FEDEX ()

Other: _____

(Notify virology lab prior to shipment (208) 334-2235 x229)

Date Rcvd: _____ Date Rptd: _____

(Lab Use Only)

VETERINARIAN:

(Name)

(Address)

(City, State, County)

Phone: _____

OWNER/SUBMITTER:

(Name)

(Address)

(City, State, County)

Phone: _____

BITING ANIMAL INFORMATION:

Species: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____ Weight: _____

Vaccine Date: _____

EXPOSURE INFORMATION:

Date of exposure: _____

Person/s exposed: _____ Phone: _____

Animal exposed: _____ Species: _____ Number: _____

Vaccine status: _____

() Provoked attack () Bite () Scratch () Saliva contamination of:
() Unprovoked attack () Handled Bat () Mucous membranes
() Woke with bat in room () Open wounds

Body Part exposed: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION: All Positive results will be immediately called to the appropriate people. In order to facilitate decisions regarding treatment it is critical that the specimen be tested as soon as possible.

In Idaho, nearly all cases of animal rabies have occurred in bats. Often when humans are infected with rabies from bats, no bite is known to have occurred. For this reason **BAT EXPOSURES MUST BE GIVEN HIGHEST PRIORITY** and even casual exposures to bats must be carefully evaluated.

PACKING INFORMATION: Only the head should be submitted if the animal weighs over 8 lbs. The head must be kept cold until testing. For animals weighing between 8-20 lbs, there will be a charge of \$50.00 to dispose of the carcass. No "whole" animals weighing over 20 lbs. will be accepted.

1. Double bag specimen in heavy plastic bags and wrap in absorbent material.
2. Place in a rigid insulated container with appropriate number of "blue ice" blocks to assure the package remains cool until it reaches the lab. Freezing does not invalidate the results but may delay testing.
3. Use the fastest shipping method available and send to Idaho Agriculture Lab, 2230 Old Penitentiary Road, Boise, ID 83712.

For added information call: IDAHO STATE LABORATORY (208) 334-2235
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